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Huntington Park Man Sentenced for Murder of Acquaintance Near Police Station

A 23-year-old man was sentenced to 25 years to life in state prison for shooting an acquaintance in the head in Huntington Park, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Seth Carmack, who prosecuted the case, said Jorge Godoy of Huntington Park was found guilty of second-degree murder on Oct. 12.

The jury in case BA434355 also found true that Godoy used a handgun to kill Daniel Ivan Santamaria Ramirez, 31.

According to the evidence presented at the trial, Godoy knew Ramirez and had tried to fight the victim prior to the date of the crime. On March 5, 2015, the defendant was near the Huntington Park Civic Center, less than a block away from a police station, when he was approached by the victim, the prosecutor said.

The two men got into an argument, Godoy asked the victim to leave and when Ramirez did not leave, the defendant shot him in the face with a .44 Magnum, according to witness testimony.

The case was investigated by the Huntington Park Police Department.

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